



ExtraBees² VAST 2013 Mini-Challenge 3



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Agenda

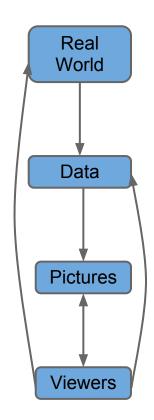


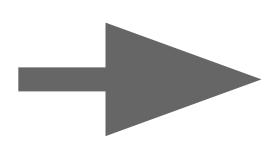
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Visual Information Seeking Mantra: Overview first, zoom and filter, then details-on-demand by Ben Shneiderman (1996)





Primary Objective:

User (e.g. admin) should quickly find, identify and analyse problems in order to fix them.

Data and Data Model



- Network of company with three Sites
 - network traffic and health data.
- Data model: network topology
 - nodes: 3 enterprise sites and internet
 - edges: connection between sites & internet
 - Time-dependent network traffic
- Data model: time-dependent qual./ quan. health data per Server/ Site
- Integration via relational model
 - relational Databases (e.g. MySQL)
- Data Processing/ Transformation
 - filtering/ cleansing: e.g. splitting long entries
 - abstraction: e.g. use of fixed time intervals
 - extraction: traffic/ health per enterprise site

Real World recordings network activity "Raw"data SQL Analytical Abstraction according to

Chi (2000)

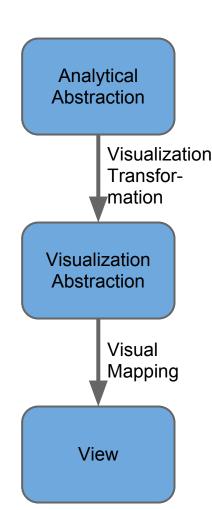
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Visualization Transformation



Visualization Transformation:

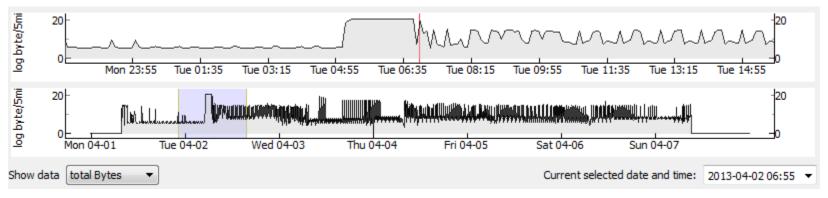
- Query database to generate timedependent visualizable network status.
 - e.g. overall traffic load or no. errors/ warnings/ connection timeouts
- Visual mapping:
 - mapping of extracted data to visualization
 - e.g. time-dependent traffic amount to color and width of edges



Visual Information Seeking Mantra:

Overview, zoom, filter





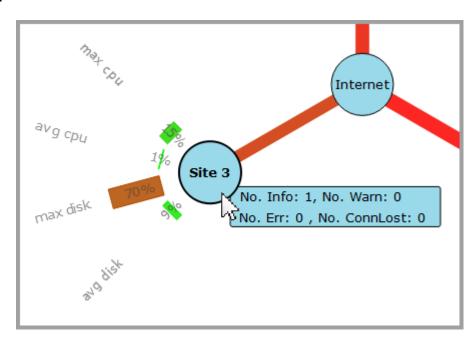
- lower plot shows overview
- upper plot shows move- and scaleable region of the lower plot
- accurate time selection with date field and pop-calendar
- different data sets selectable with combo box

Visual Information Seeking Mantra:

details-on-demand



- mouse-hover shows radial oriented bars with information about health values
- mouse-click on a site node locks the visibility of these health values in order to observe changes
- double-click switches to detailed site-view



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- Data preprocessing
- Bubble scene

Data preprocessing



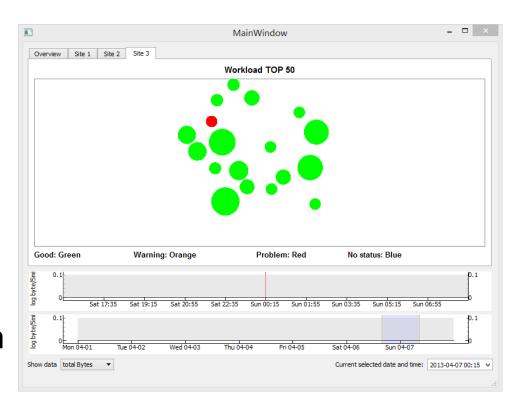
mySQL is used for

- Reduce the amount of the dataset so the visualization can run in real time
- calculate the total workload of every workstation in the company in every 5 minutes interval views were used for the calculations
- finding the status health value of workstations in every 5 minute interval

Bubble Scene



- Fetch and preprocess data from mysql
- Atomic Bubble
 - Mouse Hover Event
- Bubble Animation
 - Resize
 - Relocate
 - Color Change
- Bubble Scene
 - Initialize Scene
 - Keep Tight Algorithm



Synchronize time stamp with overview tab

References



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Visualization: Network flow



- GUI and network flow visualization written in Python 2.7 using PyQt4
- Flexibility and Extensibility due to use of MySQL Server
 - different views on data
- PyQtGraph-library for real time data plots
 - quick zooming and region selection

